

Granville Waratahs



April 2000

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What's in a Name?



Ever wondered why we are called Granville Waratah but we play 300 metres from the heart of Parramatta City? Fact is, our club was originally located in the heart of Granville!

The Granville area is the birthplace of Association Football (soccer) in Australia. The Granville & Districts Soccer Football Association is the oldest association in Australia being founded nearly a century ago (1902).

"Granville" has a rich and proud soccer tradition and as being a member of the Association. Indeed Granville was the engine room and powerhouse of Australian Soccer well into the 1940's with a number of national representatives. There was the Granville Magpies, the oldest club in Australia and Granville Kewpies, the oldest club in continuous existence.

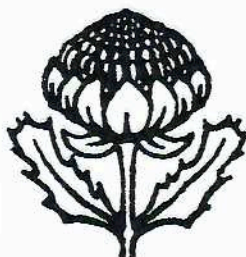
Granville Waratah Soccer Football Club was originally founded in 1904. It operated for a number of years before being disbanded. But fifty four years ago the club was re-founded. Our home ground was Brunton Field, now the site of the Granville RSL Club on the corner of William and Clyde Streets. Some thirty years ago the club relocated to Robin Thomas Reserve, Parramatta. So why are we still called Granville?

Until recently the question of changing our clubs geographical name hasn't really been an issue but lately the question has.

During the off season members of the clubs Executive committee decided to review the clubs name and to put the question to a vote later in the season. The club will be looking for your input. Consider these questions...

Would changing our name;

- a. assist future player recruitment?
- b. make corporate club sponsorship more attractive?, or
- c. detract from our clubs history?



For a number of years many clubs have tried to adopt the name of "Parramatta", but for the National Soccer League's Parramatta Power, none of these clubs are actually based in Parramatta City...we are! So are we missing an opportunity? And if so, for how much longer are we going to let it slip by?

ROUND 1 – 1 April 2000

6 Blue v North Rocks 1 – 4

A great team effort where an understrength Granville team went down 4 – 1. Sardaj scored a great goal and Luke and Aaron were wonderful in defence. Blake spent a lot of time leading the team charge and Jacob offered good support.

A. Kay

8 Green v Merrylands RSL 0 – 2

First game of the season, still a little rusty. Although we went down by two goals we were still competitive and unfortunate not to start the goal counting for the season. Great games by Troy Lewis-Mills, Alex Woods and Dylan Worthington.

B. Worthington

9/4 v Castle Hill United 3 – 1

Well, the start of another season. The boys, playing with only 10 men all game, passed well and chased every ball, they gave 100% today. Good effort by all our new players, Andrew, the twins Ricky and Monty and to our old boys Kartik, Jivy, Billy and Aaron, also good chasing by Patrick and Thomas. Good start to season 2000.

D. Valley

10/5 v Merrylands SFC 12- 0

First game of the season and we have done really well. Aziz, Mitchell, Bradley and Alfred scored goals for us, but the real heroes were Chris, Eden, Jayde and Sam, who kicked and chased very hard. At the back the boys had an easy time. Well done boys.

Ash

12/4 v Lidcombe Waratah lost by forfeit

13/4 v St Josephs 1 – 8

With only eight players, and two of those being borrowed from the U/12s it was always going to be difficult. We did ourselves no favours in the 1st half (0 – 6), but after a spirited talk at half time the boys played their hearts out in the second half, playing smart and hard. 1 – 2 in the second half was a great effort. Our goal was a gem!

N. Dona

15/3 v Pendle Hill 9 – 1

Considering we played with nine players the team played an excellent game. Scorers were Zimron, Daniel, Stanley and Chris. Jayneel played excellent defence and got my vote for man of the match.

M. Esh

16/2 v Granville Kewpie 5 – 0

First game of the season was the first of many wins we hope. It was a great effort from all the players. Goals from Michael, Fahad, Nihad, Rafael and Eric sealed our win. Michael Joannides got man of the match with a great individual effort. Well done Michael.

D.Lewis

17/1 v Lidcombe Waratah lost by forfeit

Sen. 3 v Toongabbie 3 – 1

Sen. 4 v North Rocks 2 - 0

A great win to the Waratahs. Goals from Neil and Howie. A great way to start the season Granville.

G. Perry

Sen. 7 v Wenty Waratah 3 - 2

Over all played well, but still more room for improvement. Hopefully we will continue our form.

M. Szabo

AALadies/2 v Wenty Waratah 4 - 1

ROUND 2 - 8 April 2000

6 Blue v Ermington 1 - 1

A fantastic goal by Blake (man of the match) evened the score midway through the second half. Aaron had safe hands again in goal. Jacob, Sardaj and Luke all lead great runs up the middle of the field. A wonderful team effort.

A. Kay

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8 Green v Pendle Hill 0 – 5

What can you say, going down by 5 isn't something to boast about. Man of the match was Troy Lewis-Mills, good game also by Dominic in goals.

B. Worthington

9/4 v Lidcombe Waratah 3 – 1

For the first time in two years we had two reserves, the boys put it together again today against a strong Lidcombe side. An all round good game by the team, but we still need a lot of work in positional play which let them score their goal. Goals today to Kartick, Monty and Aaron. A good result but we still need improvement. Man of the match to Aaron, good effort.

Danny & Julie

10/5 v Pendle Hill 2 – 0

We had an excellent game. Ashleey, Jamie and Alfred defended their goal line really well. George (little Bosnich) saved two definite goals. Our midfield is not working well, boys we need to work hard in the midfield to score goals. Everyone tried their best, well done, kids, keep it up.

Ash

12/4 v Kellyville game abandoned

13/4 v Guildford County 0 – 2

Playing with the aid of two under 12s the boys played hard but not smart! Score was 0 – 1 at halftime, the second half was dominated by Granville but despite 3 very good chances, it was Guildford that scored a late goal. Very good defensive effort by Qais Naqshbandi in his very first club game of soccer.

N. Dona

15/3 BYE

16/2 v Baulkham Hills 7 – 2

Second game in the millennium season. We looked very unsure and rocky in the first half but captain and also man of the match geed up the boys in the second half to overpower the opposition. Well done boys, I'm very proud.

D. Lewis

17/1 v Winston Hills 2 – 1

The boys played an excellent game today. Man of the match was Jarad Winner, also well done to Mathot Hoachar in goals.

J. Warrington

Sen. 3 v Castle Hill Utd. 4 – 2

Sen. 4 v Auburn District Wht. 1 -11

Very hard game with the other team having a lot better skills. Too many injuries. Let's lift our heads – better second half guys.

G. Perry

Sen. 7 v Castle Hill 4 - 4

All I can say is we played great. 2 – 4 down, then the great comeback of the century, ya, ya, ya.

M. Szabo

AA Ladies/2 v Winston Hills 2 - 4

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ROUND 3 – 15 April 2000

6 Blue v Ermington White 0 – 3

Another wonderful game. Aaron was again great in goal, stopping some wonderful attempts. Jacob was man of the match for some great raids. Luke came close to scoring many times, Sardaj as usual was great in defence.

A. Kay

8 Green v Wenty Waratah 0 – 4

Another game, another loss. Boys need to listen and train a little harder. Man of the match, Alex.

C. Thomson

9/4 v Winston Hills Black 0 – 6

10/5 v Castle Hill United lost by forfeit 2 – 0 (friendly)

This is only the third round, and we couldn't field seven players on time. I am very disappointed. Hey kids, on the field we do really well. Ashleey, Jamie and Alfred are superb in defence. Aziz and Bradley are as usual very good at the front. I'm still disappointed with our midfield. New boys Jayde and Varun are really good. I like the way the boys defend the goals. Well done. Bradley won the player of the match trophy, and Varun won the McDonalds voucher. Parents please make some effort to get to the right place on time. Thanks.

Ash

12/4 v Holroyd Rangers 3 – 4

Finally the under 12s got to play a game! As it was our first run of the season, and we were playing with only nine men, the first half was very scrappy. We were all over the place and were down 0-3 by halftime. The second half was much better, we dominated the game and played good soccer. Edward made a big difference coming out of goal and playing on the field in the second half, and along with Jashan and Gurbaj, held the defence together. This is a game we could have easily won, missing at least 3 good chances, before coming back for a 3-4 loss. Man of the match Masod, playing in his first game for the club, scored two goals, Shane scored our third.

R. Paye

13/4 v Auburn District 2 - 3

A disappointing effort, but we showed we can score goals – Rohan scored two good ones. With only 9 players it was always going to be difficult. The heat and being two players down lead to Auburn scoring two late goals.

N. Dona

15/3 v Lidcombe Waratah 3 - 1

Considering that we did not have an official referee and just about every decision went against us it was a good result. The boys stuck to it and came away with a hard fought victory.

M. Esh

16/2 v North Rocks 4 - 0

The boys played very conservative soccer due to the fact that an overwhelming score could see them go up a division come regarding, and played well within themselves. Goals came from Michael Joannides in the 8th minute, John Arango in the 17th minute, Matthew Betts with a fine header in the 30th minute, and the fourth was a clinical finish from the Spanish Sensation John Arango. All players were great but Captain Marvel (Radius Sundoro) lead from the front yet again with a superb effort all over the park.

D.Lewis

17/1 v Wenty Waratah 4 - 3

Man of the match was Michael Briffa. Reasonable first half, slacking of a little in the second. Good goals from Cliff, Michael and Nazih.

J. Warrington

Sen. 3 v Winston Hills Black 1 - 0

Sen. 4 v Wenty Waratah 1 - 7

Sen 7 v Kellyville 5 - 1

Great effort.

M. Szabo

AA Ladies/2 v St Josephs 3 - 1

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ROUND 4 – 29 April 2000

6 Blue v Pendle Hill 0 – 7

A good performance against an excellent opposition. Aaron and Luke had a busy time in goal but held out many more attempts than got in. Blake, Sardaj and Jacob were also strong in the field.

A. Kay

8 Green v Toongabbie 2 – 0

A great effort by all players. Good defence and a great attack, a two nil win kept the crowd on their feet. Two great goals by Chiran sealed the match.

(Proud father) Paul Worthington

9/4 v North Rocks 0 – 2

A good effort this week by the team, an improvement on last week. We were our own worst enemy out there with some silly mistakes. North Rocks scored a goal in the first two minutes, we then held North Rocks but another silly mistake gave them their second goal. A very good effort by Ravi in goal, Mathew, Andrew and the twins had good games, with man of the match going to Thomas. Well done.

Danny and Julie

10/5 v Winston Hills 4 – 0

It was an excellent effort by the (ten players) team. As usual our defence was superb. Alfred and Ashleey played very well, Jayde played exceptionally well and was involved in two of our four goals. Varun and Jamie played well. Ashleey won the player of the match trophy and Jayde and Bradley won the McDonalds vouchers. Special thanks to Bradley for making up the numbers. Well done boys.

Ash

12/4 v Pendle Hill 5 – 2

A very good result, this game was won due to our teamwork and good passing game. We looked a little bit unsure at times in defence, and once our twice our positional play let us down – these are areas that need a little bit more work. Everyone played well today, but Shane, who scored three goals, was our man of the match. A special mention also goes to our captain, Kevin, who controlled the midfield well and scored a beautiful goal. Masod was our other goal scorer.

R. Paye

13/4 v Dundas United 1 – 2

Despite only having 8 players in the first half we played outstanding team soccer - always frustrating the opposition. Dundas scored a penalty on a controversial hand ball call. Unlike the first half where the opposition dominated, the second half was balanced. We borrowed two players from the under 12s, but didn't play smart. Still an excellent effort in a game the boys can be proud of. Rohan scored a cracking goal late in the game to give us hope of a win.

N. Dona

15/3 v Winston Hills 3 - 0

Congratulations to Winston Hills who put a fight for most of the game, but at the same time our team was persistent and kicked on in the last 15 minutes. Our goal scorers were Stanley and Daniel, with Zimron getting the third with a well anticipated goal. Special mention to Krishneel who was outstanding at the back cleaning up and nullifying all of Winston Hills' attack. Players' player was Krsihneel.

M. Esh

16/2 v Merrylands SFC 0 - 1

Disgusted.

D. Lewis

17/1 v Parramatta Eagles 0 - 2

Man of the match was Mathot, who played very well in goals.

J. Warrington

Sen. 3 v Ermington 3 - 1

Sen. 4 v Granville Kewpie 2 - 4

Sen. 7 v Winston Hills 1 - 0

Lucky win, but we are still undefeated.

M. Szabo

AA Ladies/2 v Toongabbie 3 - 2

A pretty lack lustre performance but we got the spoils playing with 10 girls and at one stage playing with only 9. The end result will do us as we stay on top of the table.

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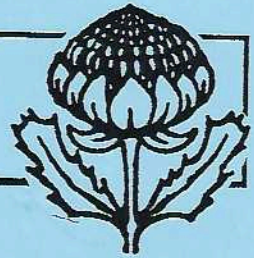
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